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THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF

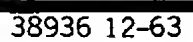


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1. Vietnam

In South Vietnam, Viet Cong activity last week rose somewhat in both scale and intensity, concentrating on small-scale attacks and terrorism directed against government posts, hamlets, and the district towns. This is a campaign designed to undermine civilian and paramilitary morale.

There have been no indications of significant Chinese Communist or North Vietnamese military deployments.

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2. USSR

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there is a preliminary indication that a few Soviet aircraft pilots may now be flying locally in North Vietnam. Today Russian voices were heard in "chatter" between ground and air which apparently emanated from North Vietnam. The role of these pilots cannot yet be determined. Among other possibilities, they could constitute an advance party for the receipt of Soviet military equipment.

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3. France

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4. Indonesia

Dissatisfied junior naval officers at the naval base in Surabaya are refusing to man their ships. They are demanding the removal of the naval chief of staff, Admiral Martadinata. Sukarno has so far supported his naval chief but might give in if the trouble continues.

This difficulty will probably not have any immediate marked effect on the anti-Malaysian campaign.

5. Congo

Tshombé now says he will go to the OAU session in Nairobi. The OAU has not yet formally gone into the Congo problem, but Tshombé's representatives have so far done fairly well with its special Congo commission.

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For the moment, at least, the Ugandan-Congo border has simmered down.

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(See map.)

6. Israel

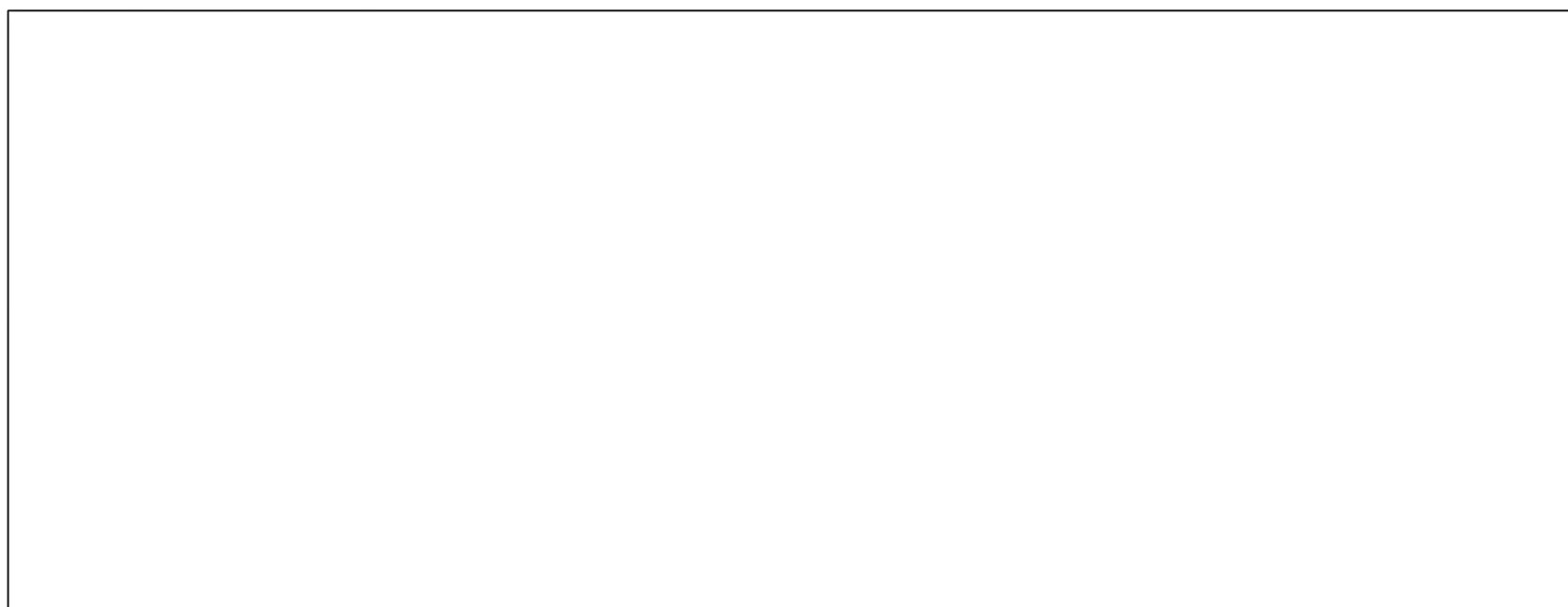
Tension is growing in Israel because of an increasing number of Arab terrorist and sabotage infiltrations into Israel. There have also been continuing occasional border clashes along the Arab-Israeli borders.

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Arab governments are also worried since they expect Israeli retaliations.

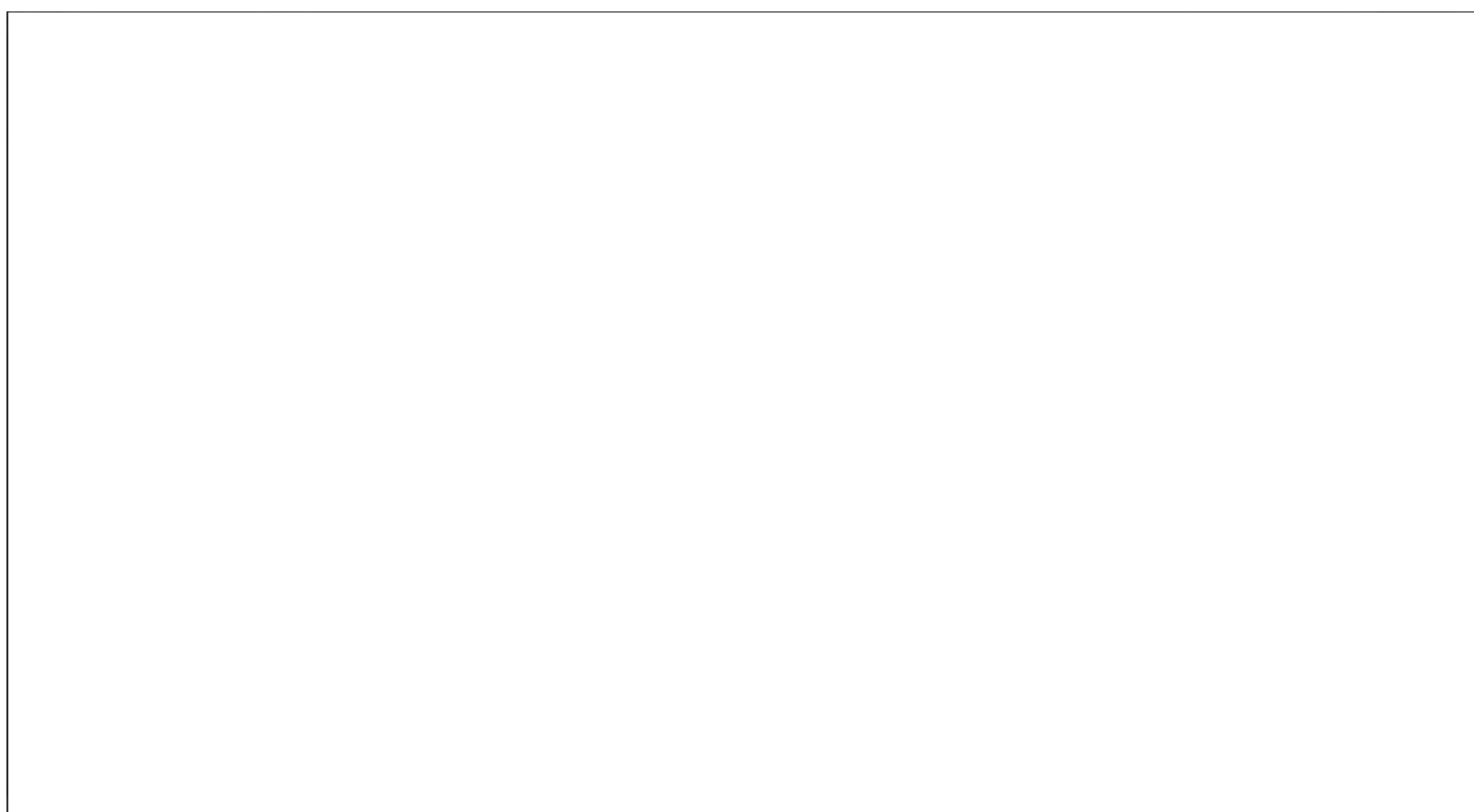
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8. Communist China



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